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	<p>RELATED NCCHC/ACA STANDARDS:</p> <p>P-B-01, J-B-01 (Essential)/1-HC-1A-11 (Mandatory)</p>	
<p>CHAPTER: 11 BUREAU OF CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE SERVICES</p>	<p>SUBJECT:</p> <p>OFFENDER BLOODBORNE PATHOGEN EXPOSURE</p>	
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- I. AUTHORITY: Bureau of Correctional Healthcare Services
- II. PURPOSE: To provide guidelines for the care of offenders with exposures to Bloodborne Pathogens (BBP).
- III. APPLICABILITY: All Department of Correction (DOC) employees and vendor staff, offenders, and any outside healthcare provider servicing DOC offenders.
- IV. DEFINITIONS: See glossary.
- V. POLICY:
 1. Offenders with exposure to BBP are provided assessment, treatment and follow-up according to current Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines for BBP. (See Attached)
 2. First aid is provided as indicated.
 3. The primary care provider (physician) assesses the patient or is contacted by telephone. If HIV prophylaxis is indicated, the sooner it is initiated (within a few hours) after the exposure the more likely it is to be effective. HBV prophylaxis is initiated as soon as possible. In cases of sexual assault, consideration is given to the timing of forensic evidence collection in the offsite Emergency Department and the need to initiate HIV prophylaxis.
 4. Stock card(s) of Combivir (zidovudine and lamivudine) and Viracept (nelfinavir) obtained from the supplying pharmacy are available to initiate HIV prophylaxis in the event it is ordered by the physician. If it is necessary to continue the regimen, patient-specific medications may be obtained.

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5. An Offender Post Exposure to Blood and/or Body Fluids form will be completed when health care staff is informed of an offender's exposure to BBP. The information provides guidance in Post Exposure Chemoprophylaxis for HIV and Hepatitis B prophylaxis. This completed form becomes part of the offender's medical record.

Item 2: Route of Exposure guides the provider to either Table 1 (attached) or Table 2 (attached) to determine the recommended post exposure prophylaxis.

Table 3 (attached): lists the current recommendations for the basic and expanded post exposure prophylaxis regimens.

Item 5: Pertinent Offender Medical History and HBV status of source provides information to determine the need for Hepatitis B prophylaxis using Table A (attached).

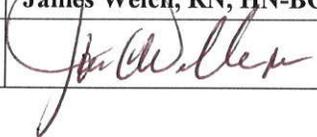
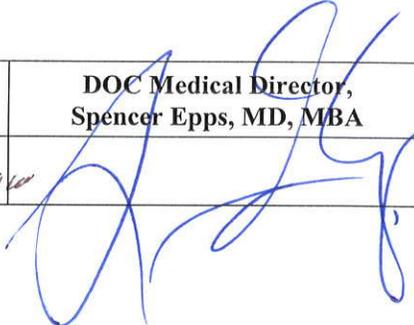
Determinations from Table 3 and Table A are recorded at the bottom of the form. Any medication orders are recorded on the Order Sheet. Lab work is documented on the Exposed Offender Laboratory Testing Form (attached).

6. The Exposed Offender Laboratory Testing form is used to document initial and follow-up laboratory testing for both the exposed offender and the source. Recommended HIV prophylaxis blood test monitoring included on the form is used if HIV chemoprophylaxis is ordered. This completed form becomes part of the offender's medical record. A copy should also be placed in the source's medical record.
7. Offender Post Exposure Information and Consent for HIV Medications form is reviewed with the offender. If no Postexposure Prophylaxis is indicated or consent or refusal for medication is obtained, the original signed form is placed in the offender's medical record and a copy is given to the offender.
8. A Release of Responsibility is obtained if at any time the exposed offender declines follow-up. Progress notes will reflect the circumstances and counseling that was attempted.

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9. The source offender is counseled; the medical record is reviewed for HIV, HCV and HBV status. Consent for blood samples and testing for HIV, HCV, and HBV is obtained if the source is not documented as positive. Procedures for pre- and post-test counseling are followed for HIV and HCV. A Source Post Exposure Consent/Refusal form is used to document this process and is filed in the source and the exposed offender's medical record.
10. A Mental Health referral will be ordered if indicated.
11. Offender exposures are reported in the monthly Infection Control Report.

Approval:

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